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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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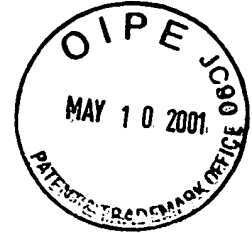
Serial No. 09/740,530

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Title: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR  
TRIGGERING A DEBUGGING UNIT

Examiner:

Group Art Unit:



**Petition for Granting of Original Filing Date  
and Request for Refund of the Petition Fee**  
**Filing Date Not Granted**

Box SN  
Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the Notice of Incomplete Nonprovisional Application, dated **March 5, 2001**, Applicants respectfully petition that the original filing date of the above-referenced application be granted.

Applicants respectfully assert that the application was originally deposited with drawings. Attached is a copy of the stamped return post card returned by the USPTO that indicates that the four sheets of drawings were received with the original application.

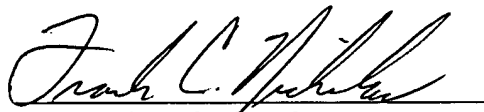
Thus, Applicants also submit that a newly executed declaration or oath covering the enclosed items is not required.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the Petition fee to Deposit Account No. 50-1713. However, since the application is entitled to the original filing date, Applicant includes a Request for Refund of the Petition Fee with this Petition. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

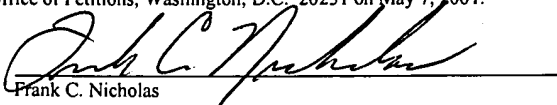
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